

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1983

Introduced by Assembly Member Wolk

February 12, 2004

An act to amend Section 8590 of the Water Code, relating to water.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1983, as introduced, Wolk. Reclamation Board.

Existing law grants to the Reclamation Board the authority to carry out various flood control activities, including the authority to construct, maintain, and operate ditches, canals, pumping plants, and other drainage works.

This bill would authorize the board to collaborate with state and federal agencies on multiobjective floodplain management projects.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 8590 of the Water Code is amended to
- 2 read:
- 3 8590. The board may do any of the following:
- 4 (a) Acquire either within or ~~without~~ *outside* the boundaries of
- 5 the drainage district, by purchase, condemnation, or by other
- 6 lawful means in the name of the drainage district, all lands,
- 7 rights-of-way, easements, property or material necessary ~~or~~
- 8 ~~requisite~~ for the purpose of bypasses, weirs, cuts, canals, sumps,
- 9 levees, overflow channels and basins, reservoirs and other flood



1 control works, and other necessary purposes, including drainage
2 purposes.

3 (b) Construct, clear, and maintain bypasses, levees, canals,
4 sumps, overflow channels and basins, reservoirs, and other flood
5 control works.

6 (c) Construct, maintain, and operate ditches, canals, pumping
7 plants, and other drainage works.

8 (d) Make contracts in the name of the drainage district to
9 indemnify or compensate any owner of land or other property for
10 any injury or damage caused by the exercise of the powers
11 conferred by this division, or arising out of the use, taking, or
12 damage of any property for any of the purposes of this division.

13 (e) *Collaborate with state and federal agencies on*
14 *multiobjective floodplain management projects.*

